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SUBJECT: MULTI-REGIONAL PROJECT ON FOOD SYSTEMS, JUNE 13
TO JULY 12, 1976

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1. DEPARTMENT LACKS SUFFICIENT INFORMATION TO MAKE
INTELLIGENT RECOMMENDATIONS TO POST WITH REGARD TO REFTEL.
HOWEVER, FOLLOWING GUIDELINES ARE OFFERED AS SUPPLEMENT TO
DEPTEL:

A. GENERALLY, NOMINEES WHOSE STYLE OF LIVING REQUIRES
RESOURCES NOT NORMALLY AVAILABLE TO CU GRANTEES WILL
PROBABLY BE DISSATISFIED WITH PARTICIPATION IN PROJECT,
SINCE LIMOUSINES, HIGH PER DIEM, EXPENSIVE HOTELS, FIRST-
CLASS TRANSPORTATION, ETC., WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE. IF
THIS IS NOT A PROBLEM, THEN RANK SHOULD BE NO PROBLEM.

B. TITLES OF PARTICIPANTS NOMINATED SO FAR ARE:

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AGROPECUARIAS, ECUADOR; DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH, STATE ORGANIZATION FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT, IRAQ MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE; FOOD SUPPLY ADVISOR TO TREASURY

SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF FINANCE, PORTUGAL; AND CHIEF, DIVISION OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS, OFFICE OF THE UNDER-SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, THAILAND; OTHER PARTICIPANTS ARE EXPECTED FROM BRAZIL, BURMA, CAMEROON, EGYPT, EL SALVADOR, GHANA, HUNGARY, INDIA, INDONESIA, MALAWI, ROMANIA, SAUDI ARABIA, SENEGAL, AND SRI LANKA; AND OTHER NOMINATIONS AND CHANGES ARE EXPECTED, SINCE NOMINATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 5.

C. IT SHOULD BE MADE CLEAR THAT FOCUS OF PROJECT WILL NOT BE PRINCIPALLY AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY AND SPECIALIZED RESEARCH, NOR PRIMARILY ON HOW FOOD IS PRODUCED, BUT RATHER ON ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE OF NATIONAL FOOD SYSTEM AS A WHOLE AND ON HOW TOTAL U.S. FOOD SYSTEM REALLY WORKS. THUS, BROAD INTERESTS, MATURITY AND BREADTH OF UNDERSTANDING OF FOOD SYSTEMS AS A WHOLE, AND POTENTIAL NATIONAL LEADERSHIP IN THIS FIELD SHOULD BE IMPORTANT CRITERIA FOR SELECTION.

D. FULL-TIME PARTICIPATION IN GROUP PROJECT AND INTEREST IN CONTACTS WITH PEOPLE FROM COUNTRIES LIKE THOSE LISTED ABOVE SHOULD BE IMPORTANT CONSIDERATION, SINCE PARTICIPANTS IN PREVIOUS MULTI-REGIONAL PROJECTS SEEM TO AGREE THAT THIS ASPECT IS PERHAPS THE MOST VALUABLE BENEFIT OF THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THESE PROJECTS.

2. REQUEST NOMINEE'S BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION BE UNCLASSIFIED SO PRIVATE PROGRAM AGENCY, SPONSORS, AND HOSTS MAY USE IT. ASSUME POST WILL MAKE SURE ITS NOMINEE WILL BE AWARE OF ABOVE CHARACTER OF PROGRAM TO AVOID ANY MISUNDERSTANDING. KISSINGER

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